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1. The general optimism which prevailed at TEWA Neustadt, in the Spring of 1954 about an early resumption of the nickel wire mesh production program was not borne out by any actual placement of production orders either by the Soviets themselves via the Soviet Trade Delegation in East Berlin or by the East Zone Government via the various Ministries or the DIA or DHZ organizations. In fact, the prevailing optimism has now turned to pessimism and despair since many technicians and workers are to be discharged unless such orders are received soon and in quantity.
2. Director Maximilian Alletsee of TEWA is attempting to obtain a government order for wire mesh production from the corresponding East Zone Ministries and for that purpose he frequently visits them in East Berlin, so far without any concrete results. Although Director Alletsee's true feelings about the actual chances of obtaining such orders at this stage are not known, he continues to state to his subordinates that he still hopes that orders for significant quantities will be placed with his factory in the near future.
3. Soviet Procurement Officer and Acceptance Engineer Stesnov has not been seen at the TEWA plant since March 1954.

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